

Washington, DC – This weekend, Harry Teague will continue his veteran outreach, meeting with local heroes and discussing current issues.

This Saturday, Harry Teague will join local veterans at the Women Veterans' Conference in Las Cruces to honor them for their service to our nation. Harry Teague will address the conference, hosted by the New Mexico Department of Veterans Services (NMDVS), as well as spend time meeting with attendees to discuss current veterans issues and the work he is doing in Washington to support veterans. Teague will also honor Cathy Brock, the first woman to serve as Commander of the New Mexico Department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, with a flag presentation.

On Sunday, Harry Teague will travel to Alamogordo for a medal presentation ceremony in honor of Earl B. Bemis, an Army Private First Class who served during World War II. Bemis, who was drafted in 1942 and served in Patton's 41<sup>st</sup> Armored Infantry Regiment, fought across the world for two years, until his death during the Battle of the Bulge. He has been honored with several medals for his service, including the Bronze Star, Purple heart, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, and Honorable Service Lapel Button. Teague will present the medals to Bemis' brother, Mr. George Bemis, on his behalf.

Harry Teague, a member of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, has made it a priority to recognize America's returning military servicemen and women for their duty and sacrifice to our nation. In addition to honoring one of New Mexico's deserving veterans each month as part of his "Veteran of the Month" program, he has focused on highlighting and finding solutions to the medical problems that many soldiers face upon returning home, including Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and Traumatic Brain Injury. Teague has also worked to pursue full and on-time

funding for the Veterans Administration, and provide access to the best health care and highest quality resources that our nation can provide for the countless veterans who live in rural areas across southern New Mexico.

### **LAS CRUCES**

**WHAT:** NMDVS Women Veterans' Conference

**WHERE:** Hotel Encanto, 705 S. Telshor Boulevard, Las Cruces

**WHEN:** Saturday, September 25, 12:15 PM – 2:00 PM

### **ALAMOGORDO**

**WHAT:** Medal ceremony to honor WWII Veteran Earl B. Bemis

**WHERE:** Harry Teague's Alamogordo District Office, 1101 New York Avenue, Alamogordo

**WHEN:** Sunday, September 26, 4:15 PM – 4:45 PM

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